Peterboro

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Wm Lloyd Garrison,

My own friend,

I thank you
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warmly for sending me your last printed
letter. All our Rep[n] Papers are reprinting it.
How basely & how wicked is the
misrepresentation, that the North has
proved herself unforgiving & cruel to the
South! You show in the letter very clearly
& convincingly which is the guilty &
blameworthy faction.

I am a little anxious about Vermont & Maine. If they shall give
only two thirds their usual majorities we are safe. The Louisville Convention has failed to give us an easy
victory.

I am thankful that you still live,
that your memory & your pen still supply you with all needed facts & that
you are still able to mail those

fine & powerful articles. God bless you many years.
Gratefully yours
Gerrit Smith